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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. CHILE SITUATION STABILIZED--ALLENDE SUICIDE?

THE SITUATION IN CHILE AS OF MIDNIGHT APPEARS STABILIZED WITH NO REPORTS OF INJURIES TO AMERICAN CITIZENS. ALLENDE'S SUICIDE IS WIDELY REPORTED AND ONE NEWSPAPER EDITOR HAS TOLD OUR EMBASSY THAT HE HAS PICTURES OF THE CORPSE. THE JUNTA HAS DEMONSTRATED ITS DETERMINATION TO ACT FORCEFULLY AND HAS CONVINCED OPPOSITION THAT RESISTANCE IS FUTILE, BUT HAS SAID VERY LITTLE OF ITS INTENTIONS. (CONFIDENTIAL) SANTIAGO 4131 AND 4133, 9/12.

2. FRANCE AND EUROPE

OUR MISSION TO THE EC IN BRUSSELS REPORTS THAT UNITED KINGDOM AMBASSADOR PALLISER AND EC COMMISSIONERS LARDINOIS

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AND CHEYSSON AGREE THAT THE FRENCH ARE LIKELY TO CONTINUE

TO TAKE A TOUGH LINE WHERE THEIR ECONOMIC INTERESTS ARE INVOLVED, BUT WILL SHOW A MORE FLEXIBLE ATTITUDE ON GENERAL POLITICAL MATTERS AFFECTING EUROPE--PARTLY OUT OF CONCERN FOR THE FUTURE EVOLUTION OF GERMANY. A POSITIVE FRENCH POLITICAL INITIATIVE IS LIKELY IN THE NEAR FUTURE. (CONFI-

DENTIAL) EC BRUSSELS 5171, 9/11.

3. IDF RETENTION IN ICELAND: NORWEGIAN DEMARCHE

THE NORWEGIANS HAVE APPROACHED ICELAND EXPRESSING THEIR DEEP INTEREST IN THE RETENTION OF THE ICELAND DEFENSE FORCE AND THE KEFLAVIK BASE. ICELANDIC PRIME MINISTER JOHANNESSON'S REPLY WAS DESCRIBED BY THE NORWEGIANS AS "RATHER FAVORABLE" BUT VAGUE, INDICATING THAT THE ICELANDIC GOVERNMENT IS SO SPLIT ON THE ISSUE THAT ANY FIRM POSITION WILL BE DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN AND THE ISSUE MAY GO TO THE PARLIAMENT. JOHANNESSON ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE BASE PROBLEM AND THE FISHERIES DISPUTE WERE INDEPENDENT BUT NOTED THAT THEY WERE LINKED IN THE PUBLIC'S MIND. (SECRET) OSLO 3361, 9/11 (EXDIS), REYKJAVIK 1073, 9/11.

4. NORWEGIAN ELECTIONS: LABOR WINS BUT LOSES

WITH FINAL TALLIES INDICATING ABOUT 35 PERCENT OF THE VOTE FOR THE LABOR PARTY, IT APPEARS THAT A LABOR PARTY MINORITY GOVERNMENT WILL BE FORMED IN NORWAY, PROBABLY IN OCTOBER. THE ELECTION, HOWEVER, WAS LITTLE SHORT OF A DISASTER FOR THE LABOR PARTY WHICH HAS ENJOYED AN ALMOST MAJORITY POSITION FOR DECADES. THE LOSSES WERE PRIMARILY TO THE FAR LEFT. ALL 16 OF THE NEW LEFTIST SOCIALISTS ARE OPPOSED TO NATO MEMBERSHIP AND IN FAVOR OF DRASTIC CUTS IN DEFENSE SPENDING, YET THEIR NUMBERS ARE TOO SMALL FOR PRECIPITATE ACTION. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) OSLO 3358, 9/11.

5. KIM TAE CHUNG CASE: JAPANESE POSITION EASING?

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THE JAPANESE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER HAS REITERATED TO EMBASSY TOKYO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT POSITION ON A RESOLUTION OF THE KIM TAE CHUNG AFFAIR WITH KOREA. JAPANESE CONDITIONS-INCLUDE KOREAN RECOGNITION OF THE FACTS IN THE CASE AS ESTABLISHED BY JAPANESE AUTHORITIES; A KOREAN APOLOGY; ASSURANCES THAT SUCH ACTIVITIES WOULD NOT OCCUR AGAIN; AND CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF THE CULPRITS. SIGNIFICANTLY, MISSING FROM THESE CONDITIONS WAS THE RETURN OF

KIM TAE CHUNG TO JAPAN. EMBASSY SEOUL SEES THIS AS A CRUCIAL POINT CONSIDERING THE EMPHASIS THE JAPANESE HAVE PUT ON KIM'S RETURN IN THE PAST. (SECRET) TOKYO 11715, 9/11 (EXDIS) AND SEOUL 6145, 9/12 (EXDIS).

6. NEW ZEALAND OPPOSES GVN INVITATION TO SEATO

PRIME MINISTER KIRK OF NEW ZEALAND FEELS THAT IT WOULD BE CONTRARY TO THE NEW IMAGE THAT HE SEES FOR SEATO TO ASSOCIATE IT IN ANY WAY WITH EARLIER POLICIES IN VIETNAM, AND HE THEREFORE REMAINS OPPOSED TO THE PROPOSAL TO INVITE A SOUTH VIETNAMESE OBSERVER TO THE COUNCIL MEETING. (CONFIDENTIAL) WELLINGTON 2432, 9/12.

7. EGYPT AND SYRIA RESUME RELATIONS WITH JORDAN

AL AHRAH, AN AUTHORITATIVE NEWSPAPER IN CAIRO, REPORTED TODAY THAT EGYPT AND SYRIA DECIDED TO RESUME DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH JORDAN IN A NEW STEP TOWARD ARAB SOLIDARITY AND REVIVAL OF THE EASTERN FRONT AGAINST ISRAEL. (UNCLASSIFIED) UPI 031A, 9/12.

8. CAIRO SUMMIT: JORDANIAN COMMENT

EMBASSY AMMAN REPORTS THAT JORDANIAN EDITORIAL COMMENT ON THE CAIRO SUMMIT HAS STRESSED A "REVIVAL" OF JORDAN-EGYPT RELATIONS WHILE DOWNPLAYING THE CONCEPT OF A NEW EASTERN FRONT. THE EMBASSY DETECTS A KEEN OFFICIAL ANTICIPATION THAT RESUMPTION OF RELATIONS WITH EGYPT AND SYRIA CAN BE PARLAYED INTO RENEWAL OF KUWAIT SUBSIDIES. THUS FAR, THERE IS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT HUSSEIN IS SECRET

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ANY LESS CAUTIOUS OR THAT HE HAS ANY INTENTION OF ALLOWING REVIVAL OF A GENUINE EASTERN FRONT. (CONFIDENTIAL) AMMAN 4881, 9/11.

9. BHUTTO SPEAKS ON NON-ALIGNMENT AND US RELATIONS

PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO OF PAKISTAN HAS OBJECTED TO PAKISTAN'S EXCLUSION FROM THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AND SUGGESTED THAT THE CONCEPT OF NON-ALIGNMENT IS NO LONGER VALID. HE CRITICIZED PAST US ARMS POLICY TOWARD PAKISTAN IN LIGHT OF US ASSISTANCE TO CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM, BUT STATED THAT OTHER COUNTRIES SHOULD HAVE NO FEAR THAT HE WAS GOING TO US TO SEEK ARMS. (UNCLASSIFIED) ISLAMABAD 7649, 9/11. RUSH

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